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IT IS NOT GENERALLY KNOWN that the price for ladies' tickets to the entertainment and grand ball given at O. U. W. Hall next Wednesday is only 25c. Through an oversight the price for ladies' tickets was left off the printed cards.

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Durrell's Father Will Try Again to Save His Son's Life.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.--The father of Theodore Durrant, the condemned murderer, says:

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MORE POLICE FOR THE YUKON

Another Detachment, One Hundred and Fifty Strong, to Leave Early in January.

Post Office Department Adopts Postal Note System in Vogue in the United Kingdom.

Ottawa, Dec. 20.--The government has decided to send 150 more Mounted Police to the Yukon. They will be selected in the Regina district. The first detachment will leave early in January. More supplies will also be sent forward and fifty more dogs.

Hon. Mr. Mullock has decided to adopt the postal note system in vogue in the United Kingdom. The system will come into operation on July 1st, 1898. Paper notes, about the size of bank notes, will be printed in thin linen paper of the following denominations: Twenty, twenty-five, thirty, forty, fifty, sixty, seventy, eighty and ninety cents; one dollar, one dollar and a half, two dollars, two dollars and a half, four and five dollars. The cost of purchasing them will be one cent each up to forty cents, two cents between that figure and \$2.50, and three cents each for all above that. The postal notes will replace the post office money orders for the transmission of all small sums through the post. The postal notes will be a great convenience and will do away with the payment of small accounts in postage stamps. No identification will be necessary to pay postal notes, presentation being all that is necessary to secure payment. The postmaster-general has authorized a change to be made with reference to mail matter from Victoria, B.C., to several places on the Stikine road as far north from Fort Wrangell as Lake Teslin. A carrier will leave Victoria about the 15th of January, and the mail will be confined to letters. The nature of the route precludes the conveyance of bulky matter.

Hon. Mr. Sifton has decided to send Frank Pedley, commissioner of immigration at Ottawa, out to the Crow's Nest Pass to investigate for the government complaints of laborers employed on construction. He will leave immediately.

Inspector Wood writes the interior department from Skagway, stating that Major Walsh lost one of his boats and some provisions while entering Lake Labarge. A man named Freeman, from Seattle, who was with the party, was drawn.

Alex Berg, who owns the charter for a river line from the Stikine river across to Teslin lake, is in Ottawa today in connection with this project. He has forced the promotion of the scheme for this line which the C.P.R. now talks of constructing.

The customs authorities have had too frequent friction with the post office department over packages brought into the country by post. A new regulation promulgated today will make the law much more strict and obviate the free entry of many packages which should pay duty.

JAPAN NOT A CATSPAW.

Declines to be Drawn Into Hawaiian Controversy.

Washington, Dec. 18.--The views attributed to ex-Secretary Foster in a recent interview to the Associated Press in relation to the danger or Japanese domination in Hawaii in the event of the failure of annexation, have received much comment among the Japanese officials in this city. The Japanese minister said to-day that in his opinion it was hardly fair to attempt to draw Japan into the annexation controversy in this manner.

"Every well informed person," said he, "knows that Japan is holding strictly aloof from that controversy, and that her government has given conclusive proof of the fact that it has no designs, immediate or remote, upon the Hawaiian Islands. The friends of annexation might therefore afford to allow the question to be settled upon its merits without constantly endeavoring to use Japan as a cat's paw.

The alleged danger of Japanese domination has always been a strong argument with some of the overzealous friends of annexation, but it has been repeatedly refuted, and its repetition can serve no good purpose now. Japanese immigration in Hawaii involves no other question than that of demand and supply.

"She has no purpose of 'dominating' Hawaii, and since the facts clearly indicate that the presence of Japanese laborers in the Islands in greater or smaller numbers is something which depends entirely upon natural causes, her friends feel that they are justified in strongly depreciating the irritating repetition of this discredited argument about the dangers of Japanese domination."

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What the
Provincial Press
is Saying.

(Vancouver World.)

When the *Globe* asserts that the British Columbia government is discredited, we brand the assertion as a deliberate falsehood. Although in the far west, and located on the rugged edges of the confederated provinces forming the Dominion of Canada, we know our business and what is required of us, and such Jim Crow journals as the *Globe* of late has proved itself to be will make a note of the fact that it will be in better taste for them to look after the frying of the fact, in their own paws.

(Vancouver News-Advertiser.)

Things appear to be getting a little "mixed" in regard to some journals in this province which are nominally Liberal in their views. Who would have thought that any newspaper claiming such fealty to that party that it keeps standing a line—"Triumphant Liberalism"—so as to be ready for use whenever a dispatch from the east arrives stating that "Sir Wilfrid Laurier was the cynosure of all eyes when he appeared on the platform, decorated with the collar and star of the Grand Cross of St. Michael and St. George and the Golden Medal," should in a little bit of spleen call the sedate and ponderous *Globe* a "Jim Crow" journal? Truly we have fallen on evil days when "the reputed father of Liberalism in British Columbia" utters such a fearful slander on a journal, on the greatness of which in happier by-gone days, it was never tired of dilating and which from a ludicrous ignorance of the real circumstances which caused that application to be given to the London Times it is constantly referred to as the Canadian Thunderer. But much has happened since then and a senatorial fly in the ointment of party patronage has given a wintry and desolate aspect to the horizon of possible political preferment.

The shocking crime in the *Globe* which has caused it to be intimated as a "Jim Crow" journal—whatever that may mean—appears to have been its omission to go into ecstasies on the fact that the price of British Columbia stocks in the London market had advanced one per cent. in the latter part of November. It is to be presumed that the *Globe* has on its staff those who are more conversant with financial affairs than its fiery critic appears to be. That being the case, the writer in the *Globe* would be aware of the fact that at the end of this month a half year's dividend of one and a half per cent. will be paid on the stock and that dealings in it at the present time are based on that fact. When the stock is quoted "ex-dividend," as it will be after Messrs. Glyn, Mills, Currie & Co.—with whom the inscribed stock is demised—have prepared the dividend lists, the quotations will drop 1½ per cent. But that fall in the quotation of the stock will no more indicate a depreciation in the financial position of British Columbia on the London market than the advance, caused by the approach of the date when the dividend is payable, shows that the credit of the province has suddenly appreciated there.

(Rossland Miner.)

The irony of fate was demonstrated in an incident connected with the sad death of the late Edward P. Suydam, who, in a moment of despondency, put a bullet through his brain. Two or three days after the tragedy a letter was received from an associate of the unfortunate man, who was interested with him in the Alaska, a prospect located near Grand Forks. This missive stated that since Mr. Suydam had left for Rossland a find of great value had been encountered. It consisted of a vein of seven foot of copper ore that went high in gold. This strike, the partner wrote, meant a small fortune for both, and he cautioned against selling it except for a good stiff price. It is more than probable that had Suydam been informed of this fact, which was known to his partner at the very hour he killed himself, that it would have stayed his hand and he would have looked on life as a joyful thing, and not too great a burden to be borne. Instead of filling a suicide's grave, as he does at the present, he would now be full of hope, with a future that looked rosy before him. It shows that at times air blown chances play a most important part in the affairs of men.

After hearing of this incident who will say that there is no such thing as luck in the affairs of mankind? Suydam had labored for months trying to develop, so that he could place them on the market and realize something, the Alaska and other prospects in which he was interested. No strike of importance was made on any of them, and he came to this city for the purpose of disposing of some of them in order to raise money with which to carry on operations on the others. Nothing but disappointment was met with here, and he became discouraged and ended his existence. Had he been lucky enough, however, to have made that strike on the Alaska before he came here, how different would have been the result?

(Kamloops Sentinel.)

That there will be a change of administration within the next twelve months is the belief of almost every elector in the up country who has given the matter a moment's serious consideration. Dis-satisfaction with the methods of the Turner "agglomeration" is as widespread as it is deep. That there must be a change, and one, too, of a very radical nature, is the general opinion. Of late more careful consideration has been given to the legislation and administrative methods of the government by the electorate. There has been a greater degree of interest evinced in provincial affairs than at any previous period in the history of the province. The electors apparently realize, as they never did before, that good government is as essential to the prosperity of the country as the development of her natural resources. Bad government in the past has resulted in the alienation of a very considerable portion of the natural resources of this province, the development of which now means the enriching of a few instead of many. Bad government has to a very great extent placed the control of provincial affairs in the hands of such men as the Dunsmuir, Rithet, Heinz and others of that class, whose aim is certainly not to benefit the people, but to enrich themselves at their expense. It

is the knowledge—brought home by painful experience—of these facts that has aroused the electors from one end of the province to the other to a sense of the necessity of a change at James Bay.

(Rossland Report.)

Rossland is holding her breath for the initial work on the Robson branch of the C.P.R. to this city. Some days ago it was given out that Rossland could celebrate the completion of this road within ninety days. This news was generally believed, but as no contracts have been let yet the people are becoming skeptical, not that the road will not be built, but that it will not be completed in such haste.

(Kalgoo Kootenay.)

The premier of New Zealand, like Premier Turner, of British Columbia, is connected with some public company as director, and as a consequence he has had a bad quarter of an hour in the legislature, of which he is the leader. He was sustained by a party vote, although several of his supporters voted with the opposition in condemnation of the course.

(Vernon News.)

We trust that the natural pleasure which we feel in once more presenting the News to the public, is, at least in a measure, shared by our subscribers. We start afresh with a brand new plant, and are now established in commodious and comfortable quarters, where we will always be glad to receive visitors, who will be most cordially made welcome.

(B. C. Mining Critic.)

It is rather hard on Mr. S. Hunter, M.P.P., that the story of the Chinaman's requisition asking him to stand for Cariboo at the next election should be taken seriously. The Chinese are non-voters and don't usually sign "round robins" in English. However, the story is a penalty which Mr. Hunter has of necessity to pay for his persistent advocacy of Chinese cheap labor, which would assuredly in any case cost him the loss of most of the white labor vote of Cariboo were he here to stand at the next election.

(New Denver Ledger.)

The Hon. Mr. Turner has spoken through the *Colonist*. The mantle of dignified contempt is a useful article in high officialdom but it proves but a poor armor against facts, however simply stated, which have a public value, and therefore it is that the premier has spoken through his official organ, and severely harasses those whom he regards as his traducers.

The *Colonist* has no desire to say much that could be said in plain condemnation of the course pursued by the prominent politicians of this province, who have allowed their names to be paraded in flaming type as desys in mining schemes of doubtful profit. The alleged interview in the *Colonist* is mainly an undignified confession of the weakness of a public man, unable to see that a representative man should feel that proper degree of restraint which is imposed upon him by a public trust.

While we can in regard to our representative men "nothing extenuate," we shall at all times endeavor to be equally free from setting down aught in malice." Mr. Turner's career and position as a business man, as well as his known good nature entitle him to our consideration.

Moreover, we cannot forget that his political environment in Victoria has not been as lofty and ennobling in its influence as it might have been, but the people of this province have had more than enough ground for suspicion and distrust of their public men; for extravagance, favoritism, abuse of trust and flagrant dishonesty has been the official rule rather than the exception, and therefore it is that we have resolved that the community here had about enough public men being mixed up in questionable enterprises, or, what is equally objectionable, pleading to baby act. The reputation of the province is bound up in the character and acts of our public men, and the community suffers by their moral obliquity or indirection, and in the case in question, it is clear that the premier's name, used as it is, will scare away instead of attracting capital to our mining enterprises.

THE GOLDEN CACHE.

A very commendatory cable message is stated to have been sent recently to London, England, concerning this mine by a person or persons interested in "bearing" the stock, and as a result there appeared in the British Columbia Review of that city a very savage onslaught upon the Golden Cache Company and its undertaking. More will be learned very shortly as a result of further crashings of the future possibility of the property. Meanwhile so far as can be ascertained it would appear that, while there is no reason to doubt the gold-producing capacity of the undertaking, it is being made clear that it is profitable and systematic working will call for a very considerable further outlay of capital, the employment of very capable men, and the use of the best modern appliances known to modern free-mining gold mining.

In reference to a recent application to the court made by Dr. Carroll, as trustee of a considerable amount of treasury stock in the Golden Cache Co. It is stated on good authority that a paragraph which appeared in the last issue of the Mining Record conveys a somewhat mistaken idea of Dr. Carroll's position in the matter. The fact is that he applied, as we notice, for a directory order of the court with a view to act by its decision with perfect impartiality as regards all interested, as of course under the circumstances incident upon him.

The application was therefore no one-sided request.

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COL. RUIZ KILLED

Insurgents Slay a Spanish Envoy
While Under Safe
Escort.

Butchered by Machete-General Lee
Intercedes for Him With-
out Avail.

Havana, Dec. 18.—The general topic of conversation in cafes, theatres and clubs is the result of the visit of Lieutenant-Colonel of Engineers Joaquin Ruiz to the headquarters of the insurgent brigadier Arangueren.

Col. Ruiz, who was very popular here, visited Arangueren for the purpose of introducing him to surrender and accept autonomy, promising him in return money and official preferment. Ruiz, it is said, offered his services to Blanco for the purpose of inducing Arangueren to surrender, as the latter had been formerly employed by Ruiz when he was constructing the Vento waterworks.

After having written to Arangueren, Ruiz left Havana for the insurgent camp on Monday last.

While Ruiz was at the camp, the insurgent leader, Alejandro Rodriguez, fearing of his visit and went to Arangueren's headquarters where he ordered Ruiz to be tried by court martial. Ruiz was defended in his trial by Arangueren and Rafael de Cardenes, the former of whom had pledged his word of honor for Ruiz's safety. It was reported that General Alejandro Rodriguez ordered the execution of the prisoner.

The Russian consul, who is president of the Union Club and a personal friend of Ruiz, who is a member of the same club, visited United States consul General Lee and asked him to use his influence to save the life of Ruiz. General Lee called privately on Marshal Blanco and stated to him the object of his visit. The governor-general allowed General Lee to intercede in a friendly way. Early yesterday Ernest Tosca, an attaché of the American consulate, with young Manuel Chacon, left for Campo Florida, Havana province, carrying three days' provisions, bearing a permit from Marshal Blanco to seek the camp of Arangueren with a letter from Consul General Lee. Ruiz was expected to-day and General Gonzales Harrado was assured that he was at liberty. Last night it was asserted that Ruiz would be released upon the condition that the insurgent leader, Candida, Villa Huexa be exchanged for him, but upon the arrival this evening of Tosca, it became generally known that Tosca's visit did not avail to save the life of Blanco's envoy.

Senor Tosca, who had been commissioned by United States Consul General Lee to make inquiries, returned from Campo Florida, three leagues from the insurgent encampment at Tumba Cuero. He says that he met outposts of Arangueren's force, and the chief of the party confirmed the report that on his arrival Col. Ruiz was met by Arangueren and an escort of twelve men, who received him with warmth. Ruiz urged the party to accept autonomy, and congratulated himself that he would induce them to return with him to Havana. The camp had been prepared for his visit, and securing Ruiz in his uniform, and knowing the object of his visit, they demanded the execution of the proclamation of Gomes and Rodriguez, which orders the infliction of the death penalty on all persons to induce chiefs of the rebellion to surrender.

In compliance with their demands, a court martial was formed, and the sentence of death was passed upon Ruiz. Senor Tosca adds that Arangueren stood aloof during the trial and allowed the death sentence to be carried out. Col. Ruiz was executed with a machete.

Reports from Sancti Spiritus state that Senor Rafael Madrigal and Cruz, a brother-in-law of Marcos Garces, an insurgent chief in the last war, and now civil governor of the province of Santa Clara, have left for the insurgent camp to confer with the leaders, to induce them to surrender to the Spanish authorities and to accept autonomy. The insurgents are increasing largely in the provinces of Pinar del Rio, Havana and Matanzas. A resident of Pinar del Rio asserts that 1,000 pacificos have gone to the insurgent camp.

SPANISH WRATH ARISES.

Indignant Because a Squadron Will
Rendezvous in the Gulf.

Madrid, Dec. 18.—The *Irregular*, in an article on the United States congress, says:

"After the insults and calumnies against Spain our excellent friend, almost protector, President McKinley is going to send a squadron to the Gulf of Mexico, a measure never so unnecessary as now, since Cuba has a cap-

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that general whose policy is so just and humane, Spain has just made great concession to Cuba. This is because the Yankees are seeking to justify the policy of the insurgents who base their hopes on the intervention of their friends.

"The sending of this squadron will revivify their hopes and cause a continuation of the struggle. The intervention of the United States will be a monstrous act of cynicism. Those who kept silent in the presence of the German cruisers in Hayti do not dare to risk the approbation of Europe.

"We know the means which will foil the tricks of the Yankees," continues the *Irregular*. These means are the great wisdom of Spain, the great loyalty of the island, the grand activity in one arsenal and the great energy of the government. It is unnecessary to mention the patriotism of Spain."

"An official note, issued to-day says that the dispatch of an American squadron to the Gulf of Mexico had not made a bad impression here, as the government is aware that in the present season the Gulf of Mexico is the only sea where naval manoeuvres were possible and that these winter manoeuvres have not occurred for three years past, on account of a desire to avoid wounding Spanish susceptibility."

The government, the note says intends to leave Marshal Blanco the task of forming the first Cuban government. It will hold entirely aloof on local questions, having confidence in the success of the reforms adopted for the island.

A member of the ministry, in the course of an interview to-day said:

"The government has good reasons to believe that the United States will take up no resolutions disagreeable to Spain, and that Spain need attach no importance to the speeches and proposals of the *Irregular* congressmen. So long as President McKinley and the government do not depart from the correct attitude towards our rights, observing the laws of neutrality, there is no reason to fear hostile acts or decisions on the part of the congress or the American government. On the contrary the government is aware that in official circles in Washington the news of the pacification of the Philippines was well received, and will, it is thought, have a favorable effect on the situation in Cuba."

"The American government is aware that the military and political situations in Cuba are much improved and therefore cannot change its friendly attitude.

A KLONDIKE CO.'S DIVIDEND.

The directors of the Klondike & Columbia Gold Fields Company have declared a first dividend of 20 per cent. on their stock, as to which £50,000 represents capital either paid or ranking as fully paid. This dividend with a surplus sufficient to pay—so the directors state—one or two more, results from the flotation of two juvenile companies, of which the K. & C. G. Co., Ltd., is the parent, viz.: the New Golden Twins & The Dawson City Trading Co., Ltd. The dividend is not unlikely, therefore, earned at the expense of the very confidential shareholders of the two latter, at which well informed men of finance in the city look very much askance, not liking at all the manner of their promotion. However, be this as it may, the Klondike & Columbia Gold Fields Co., Ltd., is the first Klondike company to declare a dividend. It is, as may here be noted, the company in which the Hon. Messrs. Turner and Pooey, with Mr. Joseph Boscowitz, of Victoria, are interested as an advisory board in British Columbia.—B. C. Mining Critic.

RAINYARD CERAMICS.

They were talking about extraordinary matters which are unknown to people generally, and a man told this strange story:

"You may think you know a good deal yourself, but every day you can look over our neighbor's back fence and see something to surprise and enlighten you. The other morning I noticed two dry goods boxes full of broken china in the yard of a friend of mine, and I thought that some old chaps must have toppled over and created this wholesale smash up in crockery. The broken china was not carted away, however, and as my wife and children, and even the cook, began to be exercised about the matter, I took occasion to ask him about it.

"That old chaps," he said; "well you know, but if you don't, you never could guess in 1,000 years what this is for. I keep hens and they have to have material to eat which will make eggshells. An acquaintance of mine, also a hen fancier, told me that if I could get a lot of broken china, he had a machine which would grind it to powder so it could be eaten by the chickens, and go to the making of eggshells. My business office is next door to a wholesale china house; and they gave me those boxes of catastrophe china, just for the pleasure of getting rid of it. When I get the thing going I intend to make money on it. I will separate the broken china; and, by feeding Dresden china dust to certain hens I can sell real Dresden china eggs. Now, Wedgwood, Limoges, Rockwood, Delft and so on. Hens may not be able to hatch china eggs, but, by George, they can lay china eggs, and this is the truth I'm giving you."—Detroit Free Press.

GERMANY'S COLONIES.

The colonial area of Germany now amounts to 2,000,000 square miles and her Emperor is very anxious to have a large navy to defend these extensive, if not valuable, possessions. The *Irregular* does not see in a pecuniary sense that they do not seem to afford much scope for German individual energy. This year area of German colonies increased 20 per cent. and those 1778 are French, British, Haitian, Dutch or any nationality but German, and only 482 are voluntary German colonies, which are mostly in South America and Africa, and are situated in the equatorial regions.

At Tennessee lady, Mrs. J. W. Towle, of Philadelphia, Tenn., has been using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for her baby, who is subject to croup, and says of it: "I find it just as good as you claim it to be." Since I've had your Cough Remedy, baby has been threatened with croup ever so many times, but I would give him a dose of the remedy and it prevented his having it every time." Hundreds of mothers say the same. Sold by Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

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AN ENEMY IN LONDON.

In the current number of the British Columbia Review the following extraordinary paragraph appears:

"A correspondent writes, warning those who intend going to Klondike not to book through to Victoria. He points out that Vancouver, the terminus of the C.P.R., is the best point of departure for the goldfields. This only emphasises our advice. The advantages of this route are that it is cheaper, less inconvenient, and affords better accommodation. At Vancouver a Klondike outfit may be purchased more cheaply than in England, and by purchasing supplies at Vancouver and keeping the trunks there will be no trouble with the customs. Moreover, the ships plying to Dyea are of a better class than those running from Victoria."

Unfortunately many persons are likely to be misled by the deliberate falsehood which the foregoing paragraph contains, because during the present interest in British Columbia they will naturally expect that a paper bearing the name of the Province and purporting to give correct information would not wantonly mislead them. The most astonishing portion of the paragraph, however, is the remark: "This only emphasises our advice." Meaning that the British Columbia Review has deliberately set itself the task of damaging Victoria by printing lying statements and grossly misleading information, and that it intends to continue in its course of deceiving intending settlers. We are glad to say that no such slanders have been circulated about Vancouver for the benefit of Victoria; the reports we have seen in other old country papers couple the names of the two cities, or at least mention them with equal favor. It may not have occurred to the editor of the British Columbia Review that in telling lies so palpable and shameless he was simply injuring the fair name of the whole province, and perhaps doing Vancouver more injury than Victoria. At all events we are sure he has very effectively shaken the confidence of all thoughtful English readers in his journal, and he will find, as all have done sooner or later, that the consequences of lying to the public are of a very serious nature.

A "MILITARY" EXPEDITION.

It would be interesting to know by what authority J. Enoch Thompson, secretary pro tem., and George E. Casey, M.P., president, use the royal arms of Great Britain at the head of their advertisement in the Toronto papers, announcing a "Military Expedition to the Klondike," and also by what authority they call it a "military" expedition. The incongruity of these and the following bill of fare in the body of the advertisement will be apparent. This expedition will leave Toronto about the 1st of March next, thoroughly equipped with the necessary provisions and appliances for the comfort of the men and success of the enterprise. Everyone cannot go to the Klondike, but they (sic) can buy an interest in this properly organized expedition, and secure the advantages without personal risk. Shares, \$10 each; issued at par. Subscribers for 50 shares have the right to nominate a representative with the expedition. Profits will be equally divided between capital and labor." Just a money-making venture like all the others except for the very unusual proviso that "capital and labor will divide the profits equally"; that is a novelty of Utopian flavor—but why "military"? Will the men composing the expedition be soldiers? If so it is a government expedition; for no "military expedition" could be formed in Canada except under government auspices. If the company be not a government company by what right do they use the royal arms in their advertisements? There is something very strange about the whole affair, and we should like to see the two points we have mentioned explained. Would-be investors should most carefully inquire into the matter before committing themselves.

Many Victorians will remember Captain the Hon. H. H. Lambton, who was here on the Warpath some years ago. The Prince of Wales and a distinguished party have been enjoying the shooting at Lamerton Castle, seat of the Earl of Durham, brother of Captain Lambton, and a good many yarns about the family are going the rounds of the press. Here is a good one about one of the Lambtons' ancestors, "Old True Blue," William Lambton. Once, on the meeting day new parliament, the door-keeper seeing Mr. Lambton dressed in plain grey clothes made out of the wool of his own sheep, and wearing thick shoes, would not admit him further than the lobby, where he sat quietly until a friend in

finer clothes came up and remonstrated with the janitor for shutting out one of the most honorable and respected members of the House. The doorkeeper at once changed his tone and hoped "his honor" would give him something as a remembrance. Up started Mr. Lambton, more vexed at the man's servility than at his former rudeness and gave him a hearty smack on the side of his head with the remark, "There's a God's pony for thee; I think thou'll see and will Lambton again."

The absurd restrictions imposed by the British tariff law upon passengers arriving from Europe at the port of New York have been amended, to the great relief of travellers. The delays and petty annoyances endured by passengers who had to have every article of their baggage examined were altogether insufferable, and the cry that went up from New York and other American ports on the Atlantic seaboard has had the effect of loosening the red tape noose that was strangling passenger traffic. The \$100 personal effects clause is now being blunted, and a five dollar gold piece deaderously inserted into the fist of a customs officer has the same magical effect as of yore in striking him blind and deaf and dumb while the donor's satyros are going through.

Professor Goldwin Smith writing in the Montreal Herald emits this "face" to the gentlemen who want to put a sky-high tariff face round Canada: "Our Protectionists are taking comfort from the report that the annual meeting of the Cobden Club was attended only by twelve members. This, they think, proves that free trade is dying. It in reality proves the very reverse. Free trade is as securely established that the Free Traders do not give themselves the trouble to attend a meeting for its defense. If they had the slightest reason for alarm there would soon be a full attendance at the Cobden Club. As things are, there is no serious business to be done."

An American paper says the United States is now regarded as the leading dairy country of the world. In 1889 the annual value of American dairy products was estimated to exceed \$400,000,000, and the value of the milk cows was about \$370,000,000. The number of cows is about 17,000,000, or one for every four inhabitants. The exports of dairy produce have grown since 1889 to wonderful proportions, and now take important rank in the list. Canada bases her claim to attention upon quality rather than quantity, and the fact that Canadian cheese, butter and other dairy products command higher prices in the world's markets proves that Canada's claim is well founded.

Count Roscoe Dianovich of Austria has been making a study of the prisons of the world. He has worked the treadmills in England, been in the chain-gang in Peru, the penal colony in Tasmania, has broken rock at Norfolk Island and been in jail in South Africa. He says the penitentiaries of America are the cleanest prisons in the world and the prison treatment the most humane. Dianovich was astonished to find the American prisoner treated to roast turkey and the like on Thanksgiving, Christmas and other festivals.

Our own Lord Strathcona, we forget his born-name, but the other will identify him at any inquiry, has been elected chief of the Grantown-on-Spey Shinty Club. This interesting town is the seat of many important manufactures such as whiskey, strathspeys, reels, Abernethy biscuits and Gaelic songs. Strathcona, who is called by the clansmen, who don't notice Sassenach titles such as lord, earl and the like, was born at Leanchon, near Grantown.

Another prosperous constituency heard from. Goderich is now making arrangements for the building of a grain elevator with a million bushels capacity. By next spring we shall have this kind of accommodation at three Ontario lake ports, Owen Sound for the O. P. R., Parry Sound for the O. & P., and Goderich for the G. T. R.

The Vernon News has recovered from the effects of the recent serious fire in its premises, and comes out as fresh and lively as ever. The News has shown commendable energy in getting so quickly upon its feet after so discouraging a blow, and the Times joins in the general congratulations.

A DEVICE TO RECORD SPEED.

Apparatus Used in Some Recent German Railway Experiments.

An ingenious form of speed-recording apparatus, recently devised for use in some German railway experiments, while simple in design, provides extremely effective and accurate results, not only in speed at any particular moment, but the time in which stops were made, speed around curves, up grades, etc., says the Philadelphia Evening Ledger. The apparatus is made on the shaft of the car in such a manner that a dash and a space were marked off at each revolution on a paper strip and the corresponding to one minute of time, and the number of dashes contained therein the number of revolutions is given at once, and from the diameter of the wheel, the speed can readily be determined. The speed of the car to the paper ribbon was raised so that one second of time was represented by one millimeter of space, and by a subsequent printing of curves a graphical record of speeds under various conditions was obtained.

A visit to Weiler Bros during Xmas week is the treat of the season this time.

Children's carpet sweepers, doll carriages, tea sets, fancy cups and saucers in abundance at Weiler Bros.

Just received for the Xmas trade, a fine assortment of rattan furniture by Weiler Bros.

PURCHASE OF LAND ON FREDERICK ARM.

To the Editor: In your issue of Dec. 15th you published a communication purporting to have emanated in a newspaper called the B. C. Mining Critic, insinuating improper conduct on the part of the chief commissioner of lands and works, in relation to the piece of land on Frederick Arm. There is no justification for the insinuation, there being no fact or circumstance in the case that could have been honestly construed to justify such a mistake. The facts are as follows:

In early in January, 1897, I purchased certain mineral properties at a very considerable sum, paying cash for the same, the parties coming to Vancouver, where the settlement took place. While doing the prospecting and sampling work on these properties, I discovered that Etro Basin, which was supposed to be the outlet for the ore therefrom, froze over in winter, rendering it useless for the shipment of the ore, and also revealing the necessity for an outlet on salt water direct. On March the 5th of this year I wrote the hon. chief commissioner of lands and works a letter of which the following is a copy:

March 5th, 1897.

The Honorable G. F. B. Martin, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works:

Sir—I have purchased and paid in cash for two mining properties situated about 2½ miles from Frederick Arm.

There is a very large ledge on the property yielding smelting copper ore.

I am ready to begin the development work.

Provision must be made, in laying out the works, for handling and shipping an ultimate output of 1,000 tons per day, which cannot be done unless ample space is provided on deep salt water on Frederick Arm for wharfage, ore pockets, depot, stores, etc., for shipping that tonnage.

I wish to purchase 100 acres of third class land for that purpose, as colored pink on the annexed plan. I observe that for six miles square the land is marked as reserved.

If that reservation be so maintained as to prevent the sale to me of the needed space, it will prevent me from working the property.

Cannot this 100 acres be exempted from this reservation? I very much desire this site to go through without delay, so that I may make the necessary arrangements and plans before I go to London on the business.

Yours truly,

JOHN COBEDICK.

To that letter I received a reply, of which the following is a copy:

1315—97.

Victoria, B. C., March 5th, 1897.

Sir—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of even date asking if you can purchase 100 acres of land at the head of Frederick Arm. In

reply I beg to say that the parcel of land you desire is, as I gather from your letter you are aware, a portion of a government reserve which is not open

for sale or settlement, consequently I re-

quest that your application cannot be en-

tertained. I have the honor to be, Sir,

your most obedient servant,

G. B. MARTIN.

Chief Comm. Lands and Works.

That began and ended all my correspondence with the honorable chief commissioner of lands and works upon the business, and from that time he had no distinctive voice or directing power in the matter, as the following correspondence will show.

Soon after this time parliament assembled, and the fact appeared to have become generally known that opposition existed in the lands and works department to the placing at my company's disposal the land deemed by them to be necessary for the development and working of their property. I was advised by various persons to again apply to the lands and works department. This was done in a letter of which the following is a copy:

Diard Hotel, Victoria, B.C.

April 2nd, 1897.

The Honorable Minister of Lands and Works, Victoria, B.C.

Dear Sir—I have the honor to 1315, under section 37 of the Consolidated Land Act, chapter 06 (1888), for one quarter section of land situated on the shore line at the northwest head of Frederick Arm, more particularly shown on the annexed plan, and colored pink thereon. This land is required for use in erecting ore bins, shipping wharves, concentrating plants and other useful structures and works, for operating the mines and marketing the output therefrom.

In so far as it applies to this particular area of one-quarter section, I respectfully ask that the government reserve be cancelled on the following grounds:

Mineral locations, and some of apparent great value, have been made at a distance inland from this point. I have purchased for cash, and completed the purchase, certain of these locations. I have also expended a large sum of money upon and for testing the property, which, together with the purchase money, amounts to a very considerable sum. It is not possible to work these properties and advantageously market the products without adequate shipping accommodations, and this is the best and most suitable spot for that purpose. It will be increasingly difficult to attract capital to open, equip and work these mines on a comprehensive scale if waterside ground of small extent only be held with the minerals, because the formation and body being large the daily output from the mines must be great, also, in order to work with efficient economy.

I have the honor, therefore, to submit for the consideration of the Lieutenant-governor the desirability of cancelling the reserve upon this particular quarter section, in order to permit the development of these purchased mines to proceed, thereby increasing the evidence of the value and extent of the mineral resources of the country and augmenting the value of the adjacent public lands.

I should be obliged if you would bring this matter before his honor the Lieutenant-governor-in-council at the earliest possible date. Any further evidence as to the necessity for cancelling the reserve should be happy to produce if required. I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

JOHN COBEDICK.

At the time that the letter of April 2nd was written a very strong feeling had arisen on both sides of the house



MILLET'S MODEL DEAD.

In the little village of Barbizon, on the edge of the forest of Fontainebleau, there recently died the woman, who as a girl, posed for Jean Francois Millet for three of his most famous pictures. She was Adele Moschner, and when as a girl, she was Adele Millet's children served as a model for the figure of the girl in the "Angelus." That was in 1850, when she was 19 years old. Two years previous to that she had posed for Millet's picture "The Gleaners," and she also appears in "Waiting," painted in 1861. She afterward married a villager named Marier, and it was as Adele Marier that she was known to many French, English and American people who had made art pilgrimages to Millet's home since his death in 1875. During the last year of her life she has been ill almost continually, though she was always willing to receive her visitors, with whom she was delighted to talk about Millet and to testify to his many kindnesses.

I write this to let you know what I would not do: I would not do without Chamberlain's Pain Balm in my house if it cost \$5 per bottle. It does all you

recommend it to do and more. —J. R.

Wallace, Wallaville, Ga. Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the best household liniment in the world, and invaluable for rheumatism, lame back, sprains and bruises. Be ready for emergencies by having a bottle at Lansley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria, and Vancouver.

BAD HABIT.

A Portland, Me., man has sworn off

against talking to himself. He was berating himself roundly the other day while sitting on the street and applied to himself an unmercifully sharp tongue, a harsh and

unpleasant tone just as he came abreast of another man. This person thought him of addressed, and not relishing the ill-tempered and gave the talkative chap a blow in the face that blackened his eye.

The S. A. Supply Co. of London, are desirous of employing a number of families to work at home for them. See their advertisement in our "Wanted Help" column.

SWINERTON & ODDY,

106 GOVERNMENT STREET.

The Mayoralty.

To the Electors of the City of Victoria:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.—At the request of a

number of citizens I have the honor to announce

that I shall be a candidate for re-election to the

office of Ma. or at the election to be held next

January, and respectfully solicit your votes and support.

CHAS. E. REDFERN.

The Mayoralty.

To the Electors of the City of Victoria:

Ladies and Gentlemen—Having been re-

quested by a large number of ratepayers

to stand as my candidate for Mayor

under section 1 of the by-laws, I am

under solicited. Delivery free. Also steam

wood sawing done. Telephone No. 149.

A. C. HOWE.

JOHN MAXWELL, DECEASED—All

persons having any debts or

claims against him are requested to

make payment to his executors, Mr.

James Maxwell, of Burygoine Bay, Salt

Waterloo, B. C., and all persons indebted

to him are requested to pay

before you my views on municipal matters.

JOSEPH WISTROP.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.—Dr. Frank Hall

has removed to his new residence,

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Xmas Perfumes
At Bowes' Drug Store,
100 Government Street.

LOCAL NEWS.

Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

—For Xmas presents—Children's five sets at the Lansdowne House, 86 Yates street. John Partridge.

Glassware just received and for sale cheap for cash at R. A. Brown & Co.'s 80 Douglas street.

Jackets, dress goods and hats at greatly reduced prices. The Sterling, 88 Yates street. Open every evening until Christmas.

Don't fail to see Professor Gleason's horse taming exhibition on Tuesday night at the City Market Hall. Seven vicious horses to be dealt with.

J. Horner & Co. are giving away a present with every purchase of one dollar and over for this week. Fans, purses, boys' and men's ties, boys' handkerchiefs, etc. Argyle House.

The Willing Workers of Christ Church Cathedral will present "The Babes in the Wood" burlesque, by H. J. Byron, in A.O.U.W. Hall on Thursday evening. They have been rehearsing the burlesque for some time past.

The Young Ladies' Institute have made arrangements that Santa Claus shall visit the little orphans of St. Ann's Convent, Cowichan. During this week they will ship a box of dolls and other good things for the little ones.

The fire department was called out this morning for what a passerby took to be a fire in the Hotel Victoria. The smoke, which caused the alarm, came from the flues which workmen were engaged in cleaning out.

A large audience attended the weekly concert given at the Temperance Hall on Saturday evening. There will be no concert on Saturday next, it being Christmas day. The usual reception and free concert will, however, be held at the hall on New Year's day.

The C.P.R. Company Telegraph has opened an office at Esquimalt. The office is located in Goodwin's store, along with the post office. The local rate between Victoria and Esquimalt has been fixed at twenty words for 25 cents and one cent for each additional word.

At the military social dance at the drill hall Wednesday evening next, the hall committee hope to see as many non-commissioned officers and men attend as possible. The wearing of uniforms is not compulsory on this occasion, but men attending in plain clothes will be treated as civilians.

The Kinsloos Copper Mining Company has just been registered. This company is capitalized at \$600,000, has for its president Mr. G. A. Kirk, of Victoria, and for secretary-treasurer Mr. A. T. Monteith. The head office is situated in this city. To acquire the Golden Star mineral claim at Kinsloos and to do a general mining business are the advertised objects of the company.

For Xmas presents—Feather boas, handkerchiefs, kid gloves, umbrellas, at the Lansdowne House, 86 Yates street. John Partridge.

Ivy Lodge, Daughters of Ruth, C.O.O.F., was instituted on Saturday evening by T.P.G.M., Bro. James Tagg, assisted by officers of Daughters and Fernwood Lodge. The following officers were elected and installed into office: Lecturer master, Bro. Tagg; N.G., Sister E. M. Carter; V.G., Sister Helen Cutler; secretary, Sister A. M. Carter; treasurer, Sister N. Sowers; surgeon, Dr. Carter; chaplain, Sister C. A. Wilson; warren, Sister M. MacKenzie; conductor, Sister E. M. Coates; inside guard, Sister C. Hawke; outer guard, Bro. Cooper; trustees, Bros. James, Julian and Dr. Carter; auditors, Bros. Tagg, Coates and Cormack. The lodge has a charter list of twenty-eight members. The next meeting of the lodge will be held on January 4th.

Mayor Redfern will at the meeting of the city council to be held this evening recommend a resolution that the polling places be: For mayor and school trustees, at the police court room; for aldermen—North Ward, room 11, Public Market; Central Ward, 88 Douglas street (Vernon Block); and South Ward, 27 Government street. The mayor recommends, too, that Mr. Northcott be appointed returning officer, and that the deputies be: Frank G. Richards, for mayor; S. W. Edwards, for North Ward; Thomas J. Doherty, for Centre Ward; and David Sprague, for South Ward.

The most vicious horse in British Columbia will be tamed on Tuesday night by Professor Gleason at the City Market Hall.

The following donations are acknowledged by the honorary secretary of the B. C. Protestant Orphanage Home, Rev. Mr. Charles Kent, of the third instalment of admiral's house tax, as under: L. H. Solly, Mr. H. W. Sheppard, \$1; Master G. J. Shepard, Mr. Mrs. H. W. Sheppard, \$1; J. H. Shattock, \$60; C. H. Hiscock, \$2; F. Evans, Vancouver, \$2.15; also from the following pupils of Victoria West public school, Mr. Principal Tait, Freda Hazenfratz, 10c; Clara Horne, 20c; P. F. S. Ethel Wilson, \$1; Fred Jenkins, 25c; Lizzie Rowe, 25c; Lily Russell, 15c; George Rober, 25c; Hilda Richards, 25c; Ivy Strait, 25c; Lucy Harrison, 10c; the Baldwin Power fund, \$3.40; and John Lind, 25c.

For Xmas presents—Dress patterns, in two alike, at the Lansdowne House, 86 Yates street. John Partridge.

—This week we offer at cost ladies' jackets, waterproofs and wrappers. John Partridge, Lansdowne House, 86 Yates street.

—As good as the name—the "Nugget" chisel. J. C. Miles & Co.

Hotel Victoria, Victoria, strictly first-class. Rate, \$2 upwards.

Christmas books, albums, etc., at wholesale prices. Johnston Kirk block.

—CODEFISH—Genuine Newfoundland at R. H. Jameson's, 33 Fort street. Red Front Store.

—Don't fail to see Professor Gleason's horse taming exhibition on Tuesday night at the City Market Hall. Seven vicious horses to be dealt with.

—The Sterling is now showing a full line of Christmas novelties at very reasonable prices. Open every evening until Christmas, 88 Yates street.

—Pabst Bohemian, from Milwaukee, the finest beer the world over produced, on draught at 5 cents per glass, at the Bank Exchange, the costliest, cleanest, cheapest restaurant in the city. Never closes.

—A splendid stock of sporting goods just received direct from the best factories in England and the United States, comprising shot guns, rifles, shooting coats, etc., at Henry Short & Son's, Gunmakers, 72 Douglas street.

—An attempt was made on Saturday evening to pass a check for \$30, purporting to be signed by A. W. More and payable to "Allan G. Tuttle" and Messrs. W. & J. Wilson. A young man entered Misses Wilson's store, made purchases amounting to \$4.50 and tendered the forged check in payment. While Mr. Wilson was examining the check the young man left the store.

—Among the many handsome show windows now attracting attention, none have excited such warm expressions of admiration as those in the establishment of Samuel Sea, Jr., the Douglas street agent's furnishers. Here is displayed a most tempting array of the newest thin's in neckwear, hats, gloves, scarfs, etc., etc. Scarfs for a suitable Christmas present for a gentleman friend cannot well pass Mr. Sea's store.

—The promenade concert given at the Drill Hall on Saturday evening was the best attended concert of the season. The music of the band was therefore much appreciated; but, then, it was not the music which attracted the eager portion of the crowd. The attraction was the aquatic exhibition of Captain Beach, who eat, drank, smoked, and flogged under water with the greatest ease. In flogging sleep he remained at the bottom of the tank for 1½ minutes. The captain will repeat his entertainment at the next concert, which takes place on Monday, December 27th, there being no concert on Saturday next, it being Xmas day.

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—The funeral of the late Mr. James Bostock Harrison took place yesterday afternoon from the Masonic Temple on Douglas street. The funeral cortège was a lengthy one, the friends of the deceased remaining attending in large numbers and Veteran Lodge, A.F. & A.M., of which he was a member, in a body. While the sorrowful procession was proceeding along Douglas street to St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, where the funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. Leslie Clay, the fire bells tolled a sad requiem. At the cemetery the services were held by the graveside by Victoria Lodge, A.F. & A.M., Mr. A. L. Belyea acting as chaplain. The major and aldermen acted as pall bearers.

—A fight to a finish between Professor Gleason, the horse king, and the man-killing horse, "The Canada Thunderbolt" will take place at the City Market Hall on Tuesday night. Don't fail to see it.

—J. W. Laing, M.A., F.R.G.S., principal of the Collegiate school, will no longer go his way alone for to him solitude has lost its charms. This afternoon he took unto himself a wife in the person of Miss Ethel May Reed, third daughter of the late John Breckinridge Reed, solicitor-at-law, of Toronto. The wedding, which took place at Christ Church Cathedral, was well attended. Right Rev. Bishop Purdon performed the ceremony, assisted by Rev. Canon Beaumont. The bride and groom will leave for San Francisco this evening on the direct steamer to spend their honeymoon in a tour of the cities of Lower California, where lectures will be delivered by Mr. Laing.

—Ah Sue, an old offender in the sneak thief line, was caught "red-handed" yesterday morning. Mr. Little, who resides on Edmonton road, saw Sue quietly marching along with a pole laden with chickens. He gave chase and John dropped the pole, but even without his burden he was not fleet enough for Mr. Little, and he was caught, handed over to the police and this morning sentenced to six months. Padlocks on chicken houses were no hindrance to Ah Sue. He had a long pole to which was attached a sort of snap made of wire, with which he caught the chickens by the neck or head and panted them through the chicken wire.

—Yesterday being the anniversary of the Sunday school of the Metropolitan Methodist church, the services at that church both morning and evening were for the children. The pupils of the Sunday school attended in masses and were seated on a raised platform at the front of the church. At the morning service Rev. J. C. Speer, the pastor, preached on "The Little girls of the Bible," and in so doing to young men. No service was held in the afternoon, the Sunday school not being convened on account of the funeral of the late Mr. Jewell, the late secretary. The teachers and officers of the Sunday school as well as a large gathering of the pupils attended the funeral in a body. To-morrow evening the annual Xmas meeting will be held, and after the good things have disappeared a concert will be given, for which a first class programme has been arranged.

FOR XMAS.

Toilet Cases,
Manicure Cases,
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CHEMIST,

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—A fight to a finish between Professor Gleason, the horse king, and the man-killing horse, "The Canada Thunderbolt," will take place at the City Market Hall of Tuesday night. Don't fail to see it.

—The funeral of the late Charles Harris will take place Saturday afternoon from his late residence, Milne street, and later from the St. Barnabas church, where Rev. Mr. Haslam officiated, as also at the cemetery. The following acted as pall bearers: Messrs. C. R. King, Alex Mackenzie, F. R. Raitt and Mr. Wilson.

—John H. Scafe, of Highland district, died yesterday at the Jubilee Hospital after a short illness. Deceased was 56 years of age and leaves a family of sons and daughters to mourn his loss. His remains were removed to Hanna's parlour to await interment, of which due notice will be given.

—The funeral of the late Henry Jewell, which took place yesterday afternoon, was very largely attended, the members of the local lodges A.O.U.W., of which deceased was a member, attending in a body. Rev. Mr. Speer conducted the funeral services at the Metropolitan Methodist church, referred to the life of the deceased and his great interest in the work of the church. The regular afternoon session of the Sunday school, in which Mr. Jewell also took a deep interest, did not meet yesterday on account of the funeral. The pall bearers were: Messrs. D. Spencey, J. Bullen, J. Walsh, W. J. Pendray, F. J. Hall and T. G. Raynor.

—COMPLIMENTARY CONCERT.

Programme for the Affair in A.O.U.W. Hall This Evening.

In A.O.U.W. Hall this evening the friends of Mr. J. G. Brown, the popular vocalist, will tender that gentleman a complimentary concert. No one in Victoria better deserves it. He has always generously devoted his talents to assist any worthy object and has provided many evening's entertainment for the public at great inconvenience to himself, but always cheerfully. There should not be an empty chair in A.O.U.W. Hall to-night. The programme follows:

PROGRAMME.

Opening Address by Lieutenant-Governor McInnes.

Tenor Solo—"Don't be Cross"....O. Zeller

Reading—"Singing Photographed"....

Soprano Solo—"Duet in the Angel"....

Violin Solo—"Concert Mazurka"....Kaye

Violin Obligato by Mr. E. Powell

Bassoon Solo—"The Storm Blend"....Adams

Instrumental—"Serenade"....J. Fane

Mezzo Soprano Solo—"Night of Agony"....Reven

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ON DALTON TRAIL

Mr. Frank Writes of Experiences on His Trip to the Land of Gold.

In Spite of Toll and Hardships the Life is a Healthy One—Snow in August.

Mr. John Frank, of this city, is giving a diary of his trip to Dawson via the Dalton trail to Mr. Williamson, of Toronto. His last letter is dated Sept. 12 and is as follows:

"Since I wrote you a week ago we have made some 80 miles. The country has been varied, sometimes well wooded, and at other times bare ground. The scenery has been beautiful in places. Yesterday we went along the top of high bluffs overlooking a deep valley, with fine mountains in the background. I rolled stones down the deep, smooth declivity, and they accumulated tremendous momentum ere reaching the bottom. It reminded me of rolling stones down the Wanlock (Quonfriesshire) hills when I was up there with my father many years ago. To-day we passed another Foothill lying in the bottom of the valley. The two inakes must stretch from eight to ten miles. The scene at the northern end is beautiful. The land terraced in benches, one rising above another as if done by art or engineering skill. It seems hard to think that nobody but a few Indians live here. The weather continues fine, with occasional slight showers."

August 25—I began writing this yesterday from the top of the cliffs overlooking the Foothill valley, but rain coming on I had to stop. We had hoped to find Indians here with whom we could trade one of our steers, which had become lame, but they were all off hunting. We had come probably eight or ten miles to-day and I am now writing from a height from which can be clearly seen a point fifteen or twenty miles away, which we passed yesterday. The whole scene is very fine. Away to the east in the direction of home are the highest mountain peaks. All the valley is densely covered with spruce. Enough of game could be gathered here to keep the whole world chewing for a long while. To the north is a high hill, bare, like many of the Scotch ones. I intend to climb it and get a prospect of the last stages of our land journey. Last evening we had some stew of wild ducks and onions, the last we are likely to have for some months. The black flies and mosquitoes are biting viciously as I write.

A Cold March.

We had a rather trying experience after the foregoing. About 3 o'clock, just as we were getting over the mountain top, the rain, which had threatened for two days, began. It was cold rain and no mistake, and as our oilskins were all packed up in the cargo we just had to face it as best we could. Charley, the boss of the pack train, was in his shirt sleeves. The friendly spruce had been left behind, and the prospects were for a cold, wet night in the wind-swept mountain top, but after going four or five miles we caught up to the cattle train, and found a sheltered spot by the lake side, where some spruce had managed to grow. Soon we had a blazing big fire, and soon the inner man was satisfied from our bill of fare from pork and beans, rice and stewed apples and baked bread, and then a fairly comfortable night under our tented roof. Snow fell on the hillsides last night and again this morning. What think ye of that? Snow on the 26th of August? Fairly good grass for the cattle and horses. We are now about 90 or 100 miles from the fort (Selkirk).

August 26.—Got into camp early and the boys started fishing in a river nearby, catching a lot of whitefish. The morning being dismal and rainy, we concluded to take a day's rest, so that the horses could rest their sore backs. Our lame steer also improves with the plenty of grass and no forced driving. We had a grand day's fishing, and I was the luck one, catching the only two mountain trout with a fly of my own making. One was 20 inches long, weighing three pounds; the other 18, and they were beauties. The other fish are a scaly whitefish, like trout in shape, the flesh is white. We caught about 45 in all, the average weight being about one-half pound; so we had lots of fish and a pleasant change of diet. Our Indian guide left us here, so we will have to make our eight or ten days' trip without his guidance.

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rays of the sun. It will be quite dark in Victoria now.

At Fort Selkirk.

Sunday, September 12—At Fort Selkirk, where we arrived on Friday after a long march of twenty miles. We are all in good health. Two of our horses gave out and had to be left on the road. They will doubtless be brought along by the next outfit. It will soon be two months since we started from Victoria, and the time has passed quickly, even with all its trials and hardships. Sugar will gone for some days, and oatmeal nearly so; flour also, and nothing in store here, no storeman having been up for two years! Find we will have to build rafts to take our cattle either alive or dead to Dawson City. It will take us two weeks or more, and there will be no chance of my coming out by the river (Yukon), as the last boat leaves there on the 23rd. Report says that provisions will be abnormally high in the Klondike this season. Beef is selling for a dollar a pound. I send this by a party going out, fearing a famine. He goes over our trail. It is a long, hard way for them. One gentleman is from Toronto. The Yukon is a broad, smooth-flowing river, with a current of about six miles an hour. Scarcely anything grows up there. Mr. Pitts, the store-keeper, has a few cabbages that look well. He has to cover them from the night frosts all summer. He uses large canvas bags like sails supported on sticks. His potatoes are about the size of marbles.

Many are passing down the river in boats made at Lake Teeling. We are thinking of making our rafts in the Pelly river, about six miles from here, where there is a timber of a good size. Across the Yukon from our side is a great wall of lava. The river has cut away the bank, so that it is seen quite distinctly. Dawson, the geologist, says there were three eruptions of a volcano twenty miles away, in one of which the Pelly river, which joins the Yukon here, was turned out of its course, being completely blocked up by the lava. I have gained thirteen pounds in weight, surely good evidence of the fine, healthy air. This is the Sabbath, but there is no service at the English mission, as the clergyman has been removed to some other place.

Care of the Complexion.

It is a well-known fact that a torpid liver produces a yellow hue and a dull, yellow complexion. You need not expect clear, beautiful complexion if the blood is rendered impure by a sluggish action of the liver, which cannot properly perform its function of purifying and filtering all impurities of the blood. Ladies, Dr. Chase's Kidney Pills is an invaluable remedy, for by their action on the liver and blood they promote true beauty by rendering the blood pure. This is the secret.

DEVIOUS DEFINITIONS.

Pillage—The art of manufacturing pills. Windmill—A hand organ for grinding popular airs.

Ink—A fluid used by the few to enlighten the many.

Secret—Something a woman gets some one to help her keep.

Pradery—A wig sometimes used to cover the baldness of character.

Scalper—A ticket broker who lowers fare or an Indian who raises hair.

Almanac—The cemetery in which the aged joke is finally interred.

Synonym—A word that can be used in place of another when you don't know how to spell the other.

Pessimist—A man who refuses to enjoy his dinner because he has no prospect of one to-morrow.—Chicago News.

OIL GUN FOR USE IN STORMS.

The efficacy of the use of the oil bag in calming the waves in the immediate vicinity of a ship at sea has been abundantly proved. In many cases of exceptionally severe weather, however, the waves are affected by the oil as ordinarily used has been found insufficient to give the ship the protection from the force of the waves which it requires. The oil bag should be discharged at such a distance that a wide circle of smooth surface will be created in which the ship can ride in safety, and the storm can spend its fury. This can be done by the use of a large, rared sponge or cotton from a pneumatic gun, which is considered preferable to a powder gun as obviating the danger of explosion. The oil bag should be regarded with favor in shipping circles, and it is understood that an application has been made to congress for an appropriation to test its efficacy.

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To the ached, with their poor appetite, feeble circulation and impoverished blood Ayer's Sarsaparilla is a boon, beyond price. Its effect is to check the ravages of time by invigorating every organ, nerve and tissue of the body. See Ayer's almanac for the new year.

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Provincial News.

Frietas, who has just completed a sentence of four years in the provincial jail for burglary at Victoria. He was brought up before Capt. Pottendorf, S.M., and remained till Wednesday.

THE RUSSIAN GREEN ROOM.

Charles A. Semin, M.P.P., leader of the Opposition in the provincial legislature, returned from a few days' visit to the coast cities.

The snow continues to fall and good sleighing is had all along the road. Sleighing parties are being indulged in by the inhabitants.

Word has been received from R. T. Ward from San Francisco, secretary of the Horsefly Gold Mining Company, whose works are at Horsefly river, B.C., that satisfactory arrangements have been made to carry the company's indebtedness, and accordingly assessment No. 2 of 90 cents per share on the company's capital stock has been rescinded by order of the board of directors.

Report from Lillooet says that work on the Ida May and Ben O'D group of claims is being continued and both properties are showing up well. Mr. Gibson, manager of the Ida May, is at present in Vancouver. When he left the tunnel was in 51 feet. The ledge is widening out and is all good ore, and full force of men are working night and day. The company have just completed the purchase of the Trio mineral claim, adjoining the Ida May, making three in the group. On the Trio there is a good ledge similar to that on the Ida May, B.C. Mining Journal.

ROSSLAND.

Rossland, Dec. 18.—Considered from a mining standpoint, the past week has been a highly satisfactory one. Another shipper has been added to the list in the Evening Star, which has sent forty tons to the smelter and expects to make further shipments this week. By the way, an option of 50,000 shares in this company, held by the Eastern Mining Syndicate, expired on Friday and, although nothing positive has been heard from the syndicate, it is almost certain that the option will be taken up. The property is in excellent shape.

The Le Roi Company has practically completed the extensive surface improvements undertaken on the property and work has been resumed full blast underground. It is expected that from now on close on to 2,000 tons of ore will be raised weekly. The company's smelter at Northport will be ready to commence operations about January 1st.

The Le Roi's big neighbor to the north, the War Eagle, is in splendid shape. Work in one of the recently discovered ore chutes has actually been suspended for lack of space to store the ore.

In the matter of strikes the past week has not been devoid of interest. Perhaps the most important was the discovery in the Abe Lincoln, on Deer Park Mountain, of a three-foot streak of some of the richest copper ore in the camp. It carries copper carbonates and red oxide of copper in unusually high proportions. The Coxey, likewise, is getting good ore, while the Deer Park is sustaining the reputation it has so well won.

There is nothing new in the way of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's proposed smelter and railway, but the West Kootenay Electric Power Company expects to be furnishing motive force to the mines here by the middle of January. In this connection comes the proposed plant of the Taylor Air-Compressing Company, which will compress air by water power and pipe it to the various properties in the camp. The promoters say that they mean business and, as the project seems to be feasible, it would, if completed, prove a formidable rival to Sir Charles Ross' big electric power plant.

The ore shipments for last week amounted to 1,720 tons. The total shipments so far this year aggregate 70,800 tons and the total shipments for the year will probably come to about 75,000 tons.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

A steamer is being built in this city for special service on the Stickeen river.

INDUSTRIAL CENTRES OF FUTURE.

Will Be in the Foothills, Electric Power Coming From Mountains.

The modern industrial city has been dependent for its rapid expansion upon its superior advantages with respect to coal, that is, it must have either a navigable water front or a natural railway, and the natural focus of a coal and iron region. All this will be changed in the great electrical waterfalls cities of the future. The power will be generated in the mountains, while the cities will be scattered far and wide over the foothills. There will be no coal, more room, better drainage, more comfortable conditions of overcrowded industrial buildings, built for the most part on the swampy deltas or in the valleys of great rivers. Under the pressure of deer and with the help of the genial sympathetic atmosphere than it is after embittering experiences have hardened our hearts."

HAVE FAITH IN FETISHES.

Many Colored People Believe That Snake Skin Will Ward Off Evil.

Belief in the efficacy of fetishes is still prevalent among a certain class of colored people in this city, and probably no one has the superstition brought so forcibly to his attention as Head Keeper Manley of the zoo, says the Philadelphia Record. Constant applications are made to him for materials for love charms by both sexes. Most often the request is for a little piece of snake skin, which, when powdered by a witch doctor and put in a locket, he is suspended from the possessor's neck is considered to be a sure winner of affection. The snake is a dangerous animal of which taken from the tail the skin is always kept on hand. The soft breast feathers from the African gray parrot are also highly valued. "The feathers are just as highly. Keeper Manley is called upon to supply fetishes to insure success in combat as well as in love. Several negro prize fighters well known in the local ring carry little bunches of feathers from the tuft on the end of the old lion's tail. These feathers are thought to give the wearer unbounded courage and strength."

DRINK WAS HIS REGIMENT.

Old Yeoman Who Haven't Been to Bed Sober in Fifty Years.

The late Justice Denman once tried a case in which a portion of which mainly turned upon the recollection of the old inhabitant, says the Argonaut. One of those was a hale and vigorous young Negro, a great figure, keen intelligence and commanding presence, a strong, sensible man in the court that the judge questioned him concerning his mode of life. The witness explained that he was a vegetarian American thinks he can't exist. Trimming a bath tub into a sleeping room when the inmate wished to take a wash is the primitive and usual practice of most of the royal palaces, if not foreign chronicles are to be credited. The reputation of M. Faure for personal fastidiousness had evidently preceded him, as this great barn of a room in the Peterhof was supplied with every device for the toilet save hot running water, the most needed of modern luxuries, after all.—Boston Herald.

MRS. SLIM'S JOKE ON THE DOGS.

The man who was doing the talking had endured a good many hard knocks while making a successful way through the world, and, like most persons who have survived such experiences, has very decided opinions of his own. "I've always regarded woman as the weaker vessel," he said, "but I want to say right here that Mrs. Slims is a very remarkable person. I don't believe she could tell a Percheron from a Kentucky thoroughbred, yet I saw her start a balky horse the other day after twenty men and boys had been kicking, beating and cursing the poor brute for half an hour. The person she used was a couple of lumps of sugar and a few kind words."

"But it was just yesterday that she convinced me of her great superiority. You can gauge her knowledge of dogs from the fact that she paid \$5 for a long-haired mongrel puppy, under the impression that she was buying an aristocratic pup. Slims has a bull terrier that's a professional fighter, and Torton, who lives next door, owns a big St. Bernard. The two dogs began an argument through the fence, and the larger one simplified matters by crashing through a board into Slims' yard. The whole neighborhood was soon engaged in an effort to part them. Strong hands tugged at tails, leas and ears. Clubs were freely used, water was dashed on the fighters, and the stern orders from the neighbors to 'break away' could be heard blocks off. When Mrs. Slims appeared on the scene she seemed to grasp the situation in one terrified glance. She flew into the house, dashed out again, and inside of a minute had the savage fighters slinking away from each other.

"How did she do it?"

"Bottle of ammonia. Surest thing on earth to break up a dog fight, and it's original with her. Why, these two terrible beasts quit like pet sheep, and the joke of it is that each dog thinks the other administered the awful dose. They never see each other now that they do not curl up their noses as though sniffing ammonia, and trot briskly in opposite directions."—Detroit Free Press.

CUSTOMS OF CHRISTMAS.

"Gift-making is one of the most gracious features of Christmas and one that I pray may survive all other outgrown customs," writes Florence Hall Winterburn in the Argonaut. "The custom of giving gifts is close connected with the little four-year-old girl who made the mistake of leaving out of our little one's stocking the particular thing he has set his heart upon—gold or silver. And if his choice is beyond us—no gratuity, let us hope that the preservation of your strength and faculties to a careful observation of the same solemnity and of the same regimen which we have described by your brother?" Hadn't been to bed sober for my lord," was the unblushing and unexpected reply.

"Far prettier is the German custom of bestowing gaudy trifles that have no use in themselves, but are part of the glitter and fastness of the holiday. When it is safe to do so, let us create the welcome element of surprise. We do not, but it is one of the greatest delights in a child's experience.

"We find out before we would choose to have this what is to be done forward to most eagerly seldom turns out to be the grand philosophy, yet true, that it is dangerous to set one's heart on anything in this world, for it is a lot that hides its intention until the hour of fulfillment, and then it is out in an outburst of generosity, the best substance that is ever offered for the special service of Santa Claus and all other gracious mites."

"An example of generosity is seldom lost upon children, if it is true, not artificial. They are very willing to give up their little knowns to others, and if they have the chance, and part of our duty to the children, is to encourage in our young people the same kindness we cultivate in ourselves. It is not mere easier to learn in youth to be generous, sympathetic and generous than it is after embittering experiences have hardened our hearts."

WHERE THE CAZ CYCLES.

When at Peterhof, the grand palace splendid and luxurious, is seldom used by the czar for his own dwelling. He prefers the seclusion of the imperial Datcha, or villa, which is a large, two-story villa which was built by Nicholas I. It lies within the palace and surrounded by a high wall wherein the emperor can bicycle or otherwise exercise himself without being stared at by his subjects. There are gates at every gate, and awfully, carefully looking Cossacks, in long blue gowns, with rifles slung over their backs, comn ceaselessly up and down on horseback outside the wall.—London Figaro.

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There's no need to tell those who suffer with Dyspepsia or Indigestion what is the matter with them.

They know it only too well.

The great object with them is how to get cured.

They can be cured, easily, simply and surely. There's no earthly reason why any person should suffer with indigestion, dyspepsia, heartburn, sour stomach, or any similar disease of the digestive organs. It is rank foolishness to do so.

Why?

Because Dodd's Dyspeptic Tablet cures these diseases quickly, positively and simply.

There's no secret about how they do this. You take two of Dodd's Dyspeptic Tablets after each meal, and the work is done "while you wait."

Dodd's Dyspeptic Tablets digest the food. They do the work your tired out stomach cannot do. At the same time they tone up and strengthen the stomach, fitting to again do its work properly.

There can be no failure. If the stomach were paralyzed in every part, Dodd's Dyspeptic Tablets would digest the food taken into it. That's what Dodd's Dyspeptic Tablets are made for. And that's what Dodd's Dyspeptic Tablets will do.

Dodd's Dyspeptic Tablets each box containing the double treatment, can be procured from all druggists at 50 cents a box, or will be sent, on receipt of price, by the Dodd's Medicine Co., Limited, Toronto.

There is no medicine in the world equal to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for the cure of throat and lung diseases. This is a fact that has been proven in numerous cases. Here is a sample of thousands of letters received: "I have tried Chamberlain's Cough Remedy while suffering from a severe throat trouble, and found immediate and effective relief. I can毫不hesitatingly recommend it."—Edgar W. Whittemore, Editor Grand River (K.V.) Herald. For sale at Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

Hathie has a wonderfully well stored mind, hasn't he?

"He ought to have—he never takes anything out of it."—Chicago Journal.

Depend upon it, where there's smoke there's fire.

"Why do you say that?"

"I've proved it. It was against the rules to smoke in our office. I smoked and was fired." Philadelphia North American.

Find out that he was being followed, the burglar hid the money in a barrel and took to the woods. Finally, however, he was caught and was recognized by Constable Marquette as Julian

MUNICIPAL NOTICE.

Real Property Tax Sale By-Law, 1897.

List of Lands and Improvements within the corporation of the City of Victoria, to be sold for Taxes and Costs on the 20th day of December, 1897, at the City Hall, Victoria, at 12 o'clock noon, in pursuance of "The Victoria Real Property Tax Sale By-Law, 1897," unless in the meantime the arrears of Taxes, Interest and Costs due in respect of each Lot in the Schedule hereunder written be paid.

Lot.	Block	Section.	Lands and Improvements.	Assessed Owner.	Registered Owner.	Commission and Contingent expenses of sale.	Amount of Taxes for the year ending December 31, 1897.	Total amount of Taxes and Costs.
Part 171	25		Land and Imp.	J. H. Seeley	Part W. C. S. Seeley, part W. C. S. Seeley and Knausen Baris, part	\$ 67.36	\$ 9.42	\$ 76.78
Part 171	25		do	Mrs. W. C. Seeley	do	31.23	4.39	35.78
Part 171	25		do and Imp.	J. F. Adams	James Porter	108.75	15.12	123.87
Part 171	25		do	John R. Greenwood	John R. Greenwood	44.25	6.12	50.37
Part 171	25		do	John M. Morris	John M. Morris	44.25	6.12	50.37
Part 171	25		do	John's children	John & Joshua H. Warner	34.00	4.83	38.83
Part 171	25		do	Sam Ho Tong	Sam Ho Tong	39.00	5.12	44.12
Part 171	25		do	Lucie Whibault	P. R. Brown	1.00	0.15	1.15
Part 171	25		do	W. H. Ellis	do	1.00	0.15	1.15
Part 171	25		do and Imp.	J. J. Cline	do	10.00	1.49	11.49
Part 171	25		do	Not registered	Not registered	30.16	5.06	35.22
Part 171	25		do	B. H. John	John	34.75	5.25	39.50
Part 171	25		do	John Turner	John Turner	255.00	35.70	290.70
Part 171	25		do	John Turner	John Turner	31.50	4.41	35.91
Part 171	25		do	Winnifred Gibson	Winnifred Gibson	41.00	5.15	46.15
Part 171	25		do	J. C. Prevost	Andrew E. Laing	41.25	5.17	46.42
Part 171	25		do	do	do	43.88	6.14	50.02
Part 171	25		do	G. A. Keeler	Not registered	39.74	5.98	45.72
Part 171	25		do	Elton Turner	Elton Turner	6.00	0.84	6.84
Part 171	25		do	do	do	18.75	2.62	21.37
Part 171	25		do	do	do	25.50	3.57	29.07
Part 171	25		do	do	do	37.00	5.08	42.08
Part 171	25		do	H. M. Dumbleton	Henry M. Dumbleton	21.00	2.84	23.84
Part 171	25		do	A. J. Smith	Andrew J. Smith	27.10	3.78	30.88
Part 171	25		do	Est. W. C. Seeley	Est. W. C. Seeley	15.00	2.00	17.00
Part 171	25		do	W. H. Ellis	W. H. Ellis	34.25	4.50	38.75
Part 171	25		do	do	do	34.25	4.50	38.75
Part 171	25		do	do	do	34.25	4.50	38.75
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